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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application

Appl. No. 09/400,447; Filed: September 21, 1999

Broadcast and Reception System, and Receiver/Decoder

and Remote Controller Therefor

Bastien et al. Inventors:

Our Ref: 2182.0440001/MBR/TAD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
- 2. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
- Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (PTO/SB/30); 3.
- 4. Return postcard; and
- 5. PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form for \$860.000 to cover:

\$ 750.00 for RCE application filing (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)); and \$ 110.00 for extension of time fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

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necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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